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Set up committee under State Dept Chairmanship to develop US policy with respect to US reconnaissance programs which would maintain freedom of action unilaterally to conduct such operations; prevent foreign political and physical interference with conduct of such operations; prevent accidental or forced disclosure of details of such operations or their end products; avoid situations, statements, or actions which, in the context of our satellite reconnaissance program could later be exploited as evidence either of alleged US aggressiveness or duplicity; facilitate the resolution of any conflicts which might arise between the essential technical and security requirements of the US satellite recon program and the international commitments and foreign policy objectives of the U.S. in a manner which is in the over-all best interests of the national security of the U.S.

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